

AgERT Candidates



Candidates for the AgERT course include APHIS employee who's primary function may be to perform routine and non-routine site investigations (i.e., for a suspected foreign animal disease/emerging disease incidents) or other APHIS appropriately trained personnel who may be called upon to provide incident command system response assistance and/or subject-matter expertise during an animal or plant disease emergency.



Other personnel who benefit from participating in the AgERT course include:

- Emergency response personnel from state departments of agriculture,
- Regional and local agriculture emergency response teams,
- Traditional emergency responders, including fire fighters, emergency medical personnel, law enforcement, etc.,
- Private veterinary practitioners, veterinary medical students and university staff, tribe representatives, etc., and
- Plant pathologists and state plant regulatory officials